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Systemics Not Cure-Alls, Says New Mexico's Durkin

Systemic insecticides are valuable in protecting ornamentals from pests, but they have their limitations, says John J. Durkin, entomologist at New Mexico State University.

Systemic insecticides do not kill as broad a spectrum of pests as most contact insecticides. In general, they only control sucking pests such as aphids, leafhoppers, spider mites, and some scales. Systemics will kill few chewing insects, unless by contact, but not by systemic action. Read the label for a list of pests the material will kill.

The three systemic insecticides available for home garden use are Di-Syston for soil application and Cygon and Meta-Systox-R for foliar application. Di-Syston is sold as a granular material and in various fertilizer formulations. Cygon and Meta-Systox-R are liquid concentrates that should be mixed with water and applied as sprays.

A plant must be growing well to take full advantage of the systemic activity of a chemical, says Durkin. Plants stressed by heavy insect or mite populations, or by lack of water or nutrients, will not translocate the chemical. Vigorous plant growth is especially necessary with the soilapplied systemic. Cygon and MSR will kill on contact at time of spraying, but may not give the length of protection desired if the plant is stressed.

Don't expect systemics to control pests on flowering parts, he adds. In most treated plants. the concentration of insecticide is too low in flower petals to be effective. Although a soil application of Di-Syston will kill thrips on the leaves of a rose, it will not give adequate control in open flowers.

Soil-applied systemics are relatively slow in killing an established infestation, Durkin continued. The materials must be thoroughly watered into the root zone. Then, several hours to a few days may be



During a recent visit to Amsterdam's annual Agricultural Exhibition, Prince Claus, the husband of Crown Princess Beatrix of The Netherlands, spied Toro's 8 hp lawn tractor. Like the average homeowner, he couldn't resist playing farmer. He climbed aboard and took a ride. His reaction — "Nice little machine. It certainly is a lot more efficient than the sheep my ancestors had to keep the grass in trim."

required for the plant to absorb and translocate a high enough concentration to kill the pests at their feeding site.

For best results with systemic insecticides, apply them before sucking pests are a problem and at a time when plants are beginning to grow vigorously, advises Durkin. Plants that produce an abundance of foliage during the summer may require periodic treatments.



Red Ewald, Inc., Karnes City, Tex., is operating from this new centralized location. A manufacturer of equipment for the chemical, petroleum and food industries, Ewald held open house this spring. The main building, 8,400 sq. ft., houses offices, parts, shipping, and repair. Manufacturing of fiberglass products, such as spray tanks, is housed in two buildings totaling 12,600 sq. ft. The steel division makes trailers in a 7,500 sq. ft. building.

Ohio State Gets \$51,000

For Elm Disease Research

The Forest Service, USDA, has awarded a \$51,000 research grant to Ohio State University, hoping to find an effective control of the elm bark beetle carrier of deadly Dutch Elm Disease.

DED, the Forest Service says, is killing 400,000 elms each year.

Forest Service Chief Edward P. Cliff describes the new grant as a logical follow-up to earlier findings by the principal investigator, Dr. Raymond W. Doskotch, associate professor of natural products chemistry in the University's College of Pharmacy.

The earlier study led to the identification of two stimulants which whet the appetite of the smaller European elm bark beetle to feed on the elm bark. This suggested a means by which this vector of the elm disease may be controlled.

Dr. Doskotch plans to synthesize chemically a variety of the feeding stimulants. These are being tested on the beetles at the Forest Service's Delaware, Ohio, laboratory to determine properties which either



Midwest Turfgrass Growers Association has taken in an honorary member with a long name — the University of Missouri-Columbia College of Agriculture. Charles W. Lobenstein, center, associate professor of horticulture, receives the plaque. Making the presentation for the Association are Elmer R. Kiehl, right, College of Agriculture dean and Schell H. Bodenhamer, College of Agriculture associate dean for Extension.

stimulate or inhibit the appetite of the beetle. The results could lead to development of an effective feeding repellent, Chief Cliff said.

In addition to these tests, the research will involve the screening of other plant materials which might be used as feeding deterrents. The study will also involve a search for factors in the elm extract that step up the feeding responses of the beetle. Chief Cliff said work with fractions and combinations of fractions from the extract already have shown that certain combinations intensify feeding stimulation.





ORANGE BOWL OFFICIALS overlooked one stadium use when they decided to install artificial turf. Fireworks. The extent of the dilemma came to light as planning began for the Fourth of July display. The insurance policy on the artificial turf excludes fireworks from coverage. What to do. Officials are faced with elimination not only of displays in connection with football games but also such special events as the annual King Orange Fireworks Pageant. Even if the insurance snag is worked out, one official expressed a reluctance to use fireworks because of possible damage to the turf. The question has now arisen over whether the Orange Bowl Parade will have to be restaged to avoid possible damage from moving the big floats over the turf.

THREE MANUFACTURERS have appealed USDA's cancellation of the federal registration of 2,4,5-T for certain uses on food crops. They are Hercules Corp., Wilmington, Del; Dow Chemical Co., Midland, Mich.; and Amchem Corp., Ambler Pa.

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EMORY C. POPE of New Glarus, Wisc., says he gave \$2,000 to Morey Goldfield for the right to cut all trees in a tract of land that were 16 inches in diameter or more. Morey Goldfield wasn't the man's real name. The trees weren't his either. They were on county property, the Root River Parkway, in Franklin. Some of the trees were 200 years old. As you can imagine, Goldfield (an interesting chosen name, considering the incident) (his real name is Morris Stanley Brown) is not on good terms with county park officials, area citizens, and the sheriff's department. A deputy U.S. marshal in Des Moines, Ia., wants him, though-for parole violation.

WISCONSIN LANDSCAPE IN-STITUTE, we're positive, is going to have a large turnout at its first meeting. The Institute is an umbrella organization to coordinate the efforts of several associations with similar interests — Wisconsin Nurserymens Association, Wisconsin Arborists Association, Wisconsin Arborists Association, and the Wisconsin Landscapers Association. Why are we so sure the meeting shapes up as a succes? It just figures. The meeting is Dec. 10 and 11 at the Lake Geneva Play Boy Club.

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Cities Cited For Poor Tree Usage

The present environmental situation set the theme for the 37th annual meeting of the Western Chapter, International Shade Tree Conference recently in Pasadena, Calif.

To combat air pollution, plant more trees, suggested a spokesman for the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, who readily admitted pollution stood at a crisis level in the L.A. area. Associate Professor E. F. Reimschussel, Brigham Young University, says in theory: as the ozone count goes up so must the oxygen content.

Concern over the best use of green space was expressed by Landscape Architect Francis Dean. One of the more vigorous speakers, Dean stated that society's current multipurpose programs in regard to public land may not be the best thing. He suggested it might be wiser to leave open land alone—especially in park areas. He called for a reevaluation of priorities where multiple usage is concerned. He added the key to the future is to "think quality" rather than dollars.

Dr. Lewis Chadwick, Columbus, Ohio, past president of the International Shade Tree Conference stated that environmental control comes down to promotion of education and research at both organization and individual levels.

Concerning urban forestry, Chadwick scolded city planners for not doing a better job in planning an-



When another Arbor Day stamp? asks George Hood, Jr., of Palo Alto, Calif.

nexed properties. Little thought is given to open space, he claimed, or how much will be devoted to parks.

Director of Public Works ("space referee"), Edward Tufts, Beverly Hills, related that streets and alleys comprise about one-fourth of any city. He termed these rights-of-way "modern wonders of the world," but regretted that in the use hassel beautification by tree planting has been neglected.

The major success factor in this issue, Tufts said, is that those persons responsible should notify developers of new subdivisions, as soon as possible, that street trees are required. This action will negate obvious "tack on" of these "harshness relieving features." He warned also of allowing developers to plant "buggy whip" trees. Quality should be insisted upon here, too.

In the matter of older subdivi-



Two long-time golf course superintendents were honored recently at retirement by the Mississippi Valley Golf Course Superintendents Association. They are Oscar Bowman, who supervised the construction of Old Warson Country Club, and Walter Ragan, who counted 37 years' service, the last 28 at Greenbriar Country Club. Presentations were by Ken Ragan, new superintendent at Greenbriar, and Ralph Guyer, superintendent at Westborough Country Club. From the left are K. Ragan, Bowman, W. Ragan and Guyer.



Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hudson look at training material for a tree surgery course in North Hollywood.

sions and commercial areas, where street trees and lighting conflict, Park Superintendent, C. J. Pilkerton, Whittier, suggested a somewhat revolutionary idea:

"It is not dishonorable to me to admit some older plantings can be improved aesthetically by staggered removal of older trees," he said.

He explained the dense older plantings hide the beauty of individual trees. Also, staggered removal would "allow illuminaries to do the job they are supposed to do."

Ralph Weston, Electrical Engineer, Culver City, suggested higher trimming of street trees would aid, too, in better light distribution.

In the business meeting following the first day's sessions, new officers for the coming year were elected. Unanimously approved were: Brian Fewer, San Francisco, president; Willian Bell, Long Beach, president; elect; Larry Rowse, vice president; C. Elmer Lee, secretary-treasurer; Clark O. Eads, editor; Joe Witt, director.

Board of Governors: Robert Berlin, Dr. E. F. Reimschussel, Clark O. Eads, Alpine Chadburn, Gene Cox. William Bell is Western Chapter representative to ISTC Board.

George Hood, Jr., Palo Alto, expressed pleasure in the 1970 California Arbor Day Proclamation. Informational Arbor Day programs are now required in California schools.

Hood grinned also over President Nixon's Declaration of a National Arbor Day. Hood thinks the time is now ripe to petition the Postmaster General to issue another Arbor Day stamp. The last stamp and only one—came out in 1932. classifieds

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Hens and DDT; More on Weldon

The other day, while watching an NBC-TV program on the subject of DDT, it occurred to me that manufacturers have overlooked an important source of data that may well be complied at minimum expense to refute some of the wild guesses on the harmfulness of DDT in the human environment.

Toward the end of the TV program, a film clip showed men in a chemical plant stacking hundreds of pounds of DDT in a warehouse. They wore no special protective clothing; they were in clouds of dust particles. And they seemed quite healthy.

How many men in the chemical factories have been doing this sort of work with DDT for more than two decades? How many chemists in the laboratories have been working with it? How many field men on farms, in the forests and on town and private properties have been spraying and dusting with DDT for many years? How many federal, state and other scientists have been experimenting with DDT all these years?

Let us go to the second generation of men working closely with DDT along with their older compatriots and poll them. Take a look at the third generation at home with their mothers and sisters and brothers.

I have worked with a fair sample of these people and do not know of one even remotely incapacitated by DDT.

While we're at it, let's take a look at another dormant pile of interesting data. How many billions of hen eggs have been produced with quite normal shells since 1945? How many of the hens laying these eggs have spent their entire lives in areas sprayed and dusted with DDT? How much of the poultry food—corn, grain, greens, etc., that they have consumed has been raised in the same or similar environment?

Of course, hens got balanced diets. Their feathered relatives in the wild seldom get de-loused and fed as well. Do they? They aren't usually exposed to as much DDT, either!

I look forward to the development of pesticides that are harmless to all life forms save the one that make up the target. Let's put the Ban Wagons back in the barn and get politicians to work raising taxes to support chemical and biological research, integrating the races, eliminating poverty, increasing the value of the dollar and winning the war to end war.

DDT might possibly hurt somebody sometime. The acorn that hit Chicken Little might possibly have been the sky falling. Science, however, deals in **probabilities** and not possibilities. **PHILIP L. RUSDEN**, editor, Connecticut Tree Protective Association.

More About Lyle Weldon

Lyle Weldon's enthusiasm for his field of work always impressed me. His dedication and hard work was reflected in similar outputs by his colleagues and assistants. He was highly regarded by his scientific peers, because of his knowledge of aquatic weed control and his scientific contributions. Dr. Weldon's death leaves a large gap in our research program that will be most difficult to fill.—W. B. ENNIS, JR., Chief, Crops Protection, Research Branch, USDA's Agricultural Research Center, Beltsville, Md.

Dr. Lyle Weldon will be long remembered for his many major contributions to the field of aquatic weed control. He was the author or co-author of about 90 publications.

He continuously contributed unselfishly to assist drainage districts, municipalities, the State of Florida, and individuals in solving troublesome problems (with aquatic weeds).

The Central & Southern Florida Flood Control District benefited directly from Dr. Weldon's knowledge. From his experimental work, it was determined that diquat would kill water lettuce. Nothing else used by the F.C.D. previously would accomplish this. The district recognized that he was was also an important part of the research team working to control hydrilla.

It has been reported that \$17 in benefits are being realized in returns for every dollar invested in the work of the Plantation Field Laboratory. Dr. Weldon was one of the outstanding scientists there.—**R. P. BLAKELEY**, chairman, Central & Southern Florida Flood Control District.



Missouri Botanical Garden's twin centers complex is the first of the projects made possible by the successful \$3 million fund campaign this year. The Library-Herbarium is at right; the educational center at left. The 50,000 sq. ft. two-level building was designed by Hellmuth, Obata, and Kassabaum.

DuBois Chemicals Announces DuIN for Non-Crop Areas

A new efficacious liquid weed and grass killer named DuIN has been announced by DuBois Chemicals, division of W. R. Grace & Co.

DuIN is a soil sterilant suited for non-cropland areas, such as industrial sites, school, parking lots, cemeteries, bridges, along fence and pipelines.

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